IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

GOTO, Takenori

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For: NITRIDE BASED SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE AND METHOD OF

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 - EXPEDITED RESPONSE -

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November 19, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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